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## Surf Air's Plan that will Disrupt Your Life

You have probably noticed Surf Air's blue-bottomed planes with their loud, disturbing buzz as they head toward the San Carlos Airport to land. Here's why:

- Your home or school is under a low-altitude flight plan that allows their noisy aircraft to land at San Carlos Airport.
- Surf Air flies these flights frequently, from early morning to late at night, seven days a week.
- The “dive-bombing” sense that you feel is created because these planes fly especially low in their landing approach with landing gear down very early in the process, and because they use a particularly noisy Pilatus aircraft.
- “Scheduled commuter airlines (have) far higher crash rates than major airlines.”<sup>(1)</sup> As such, aircraft flying the same route multiple times a day pose a higher safety risk for those living near the flight path or attending nearby schools.
- Surf Air, a private, members-only travel service, has plans to substantially grow its number of flights. They now fly up to 40 flights per weekday.
- We—CalmTheSkies—are a large and growing group of neighbors who are working to solve the unrelenting noise problem related to Surf Air, and we want you to get involved.

### **Surf Air and the County Supervisors have been largely unresponsive to our efforts to obtain relief.**

We need your help. Here's what you can do:

1. Stay informed at our website—use the Contact Us link at: [www.calmtheskies.org](http://www.calmtheskies.org)
2. Email San Mateo County Supervisors. There is a link on the website which you can use to email all of them at once. The County owns the airport, and the Supervisors could enact measures that would provide relief, but they will not act.
3. Talk to your neighbors about this and get them involved. Call your elected officials. Their contact information is on our website. Calls and emails.
4. Every time your peace is disrupted email and/or call the Supervisors. Call the airport, ask them to send you all relevant documents, and request that they get this rogue southern California start-up under control.

San Carlos Airport: 650-573-2666

(1) Baker, Susan... (2009) Crash Rates of Scheduled Commuter Air Carrier Flights Before and After a Regulatory Change.

NOTE: Since 2000, there have been 29 crashes of Pilatus PC-12 aircraft resulting in 68 deaths. (<http://aviation-safety.net/wikibase/dblist.php?AcType=PC12>)

(2) <https://www.surfair.com/new-deal.html>